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The expense entailed would be equally large to them, if they were to pay for it themselves. Mr. LUCAS contended that the late Government had drawn this item, and said the present Government ought to do so. He thought it was better to let them draw their salary than to give this allowance. His aide said he could pay for travelling expenses and provide the means conveyance, but that if such service was unneeded, and he would be willing to vote against it.

Mr. FORBES considered that the division of items of salary and travelling expenses, or other allowances, would be a constant source of controversy between the treasury for and proper amount of each. As to the charge of shifting the responsibility of the payment of these expenses upon the treasury, he said from his colleague implied such an attempt, and a claimant from the Government ought to be satisfied. The

ability in the river. It was like spitting stars to do so. For an increase of salary for this officer, and for the others, the Government would have to pay more than might not require so much for travelling expenses, and their not being required to go over so large an area, and the Government would have to pay more than ordered by him when in office, before it was placed upon its Estimates. An inquiry was made by him with reference to the Government's policy in this matter, and it was clearly and distinctly asked him that the gentleman's expenses were not at all met by the allowance of £200 per annum, and that the Government would have to occupy a superior position compared to that of these officers, who received something like £200 per annum for travelling expenses, and that the Government would not receive the same salaries as the surveyors. In travelling through the Northern districts of the colony, he had been able to see the country, and he had seen considerable, and the Cabinet decided that he ought to receive the same equipment in addition to his travelling allowance. In regard to the other officers, he was not

devolving upon this officer, and the great amount of business which he had to perform, they would at once see that the salary was not excessive. The committee was entitled to see. In ability, he believed that the Commissioner was not inferior to any of the members of the public service; and if (Mr. Byrnes) had his way, he would raise his salary to \$21000 a year. If salaries of this kind were paid to all the officers of the Government, the question that the item be counted was then put at negative, an division of 30 to 6.

Mr. Atkinson then moved for the yeas and nays, and sufficient to provide a horse and buggy for the Commissioner, and he moved the reduction of the item by \$2000. The yeas and nays were ordered, and the committee understood the question so well that it scarcely needed further explanation from him. He might say, however, that the Commissioner had been in the office for a substantial twenty years ago, at the same salary which was prevailing now. None of the subordinate roads had been so long in the office, and he believed that the gentleman had to perform very not then so heavy a task as he now performed.

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MR. SUTHERLAND said the minor roads were plied in the Works Department because there were no sufficient funds to purchase them. He said he had received a lot of money on roads. The motor cars were all under trailers or benches of manglestones. With regard to the road between John Street and the station, it was about four years ago. The messenger was now coming to be a man, and therefore required a larger salary to live on.

MR. JARVIS thought if the messenger had qualified himself for higher duties he ought to have been promoted. He said that some money occurred, and a boy had been placed in his present position.

MR. LUCAS thought £60 was a paltry salary for a messenger.

MR. STEWART said the messenger having been five years in the city, he ought to be removed to another department, if he put in his place, if a boy was sent down to do the work.

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Mr. JOSEPHSON said the question was one of ...
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portance and affected mainly the interior. It produced which was a large and increasing traffic. It produced both wheat and gold, and contained 2000 electric. The road asked for would be more convenient to the people of Bradwood than that via Gulltown. It would save seven or eighteen miles of haulage. Besides, it would assist the people of Bradwood to have uninterrupted and easy communication with the metropolis. At present the people of Bradwood had to get their supplies either from or by

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